

Meeting of the Board of the Urban League held at the home of Dr. Parks, Tuesday evening, October 29th. Meeting called to order by Dr. Garner.

Treasurer's Report was given by Dr. Parks: Cash balance beginning of September, 706.56; receipts, 1401.22; disbursement, 1723.66; cash balance, end of September, 384.12.

Dr. Parks stated that contributions received to date from Board Members totaled \$108.50. At this time he reminded all Board members to pay their dues and make any contribution they felt they could make.

Dr. Garner then called on Mr. Ormond for a report of the Negotiating Committee. Mr. Ormond reported that his committee had met, and had good discussions to date, but that of course their actual bargaining power was limited because of the Welfare Federation Budget.

Dr. Garner then called upon Mr. Robinson to give the group present some highlights of the Urban League Conference held in St. Louis. This he did in very concise and interesting manner, mentioning that the theme of the Conference was "American Teamwork Works." The League program was described as interracial teamwork, requiring three essentials: conviction, planning and action. He also stressed the importance of the work of the neighborhood units and the objective of working with people rather than for them.

Dr. Garner then called on Mr. Morris. Mr. Morris felt that the M. J. Urban League had accomplished more than many other leagues in that in this area Negroes are already employed as salesclerks, telephone operators, clerical workers in large firms, and bus drivers. He mentioned a distinct awareness of need for information and techniques. He felt that during the war as regards employment for Negroes there had been a quantitative gain, but there was still a decided qualitative lag.

Dr. Garner then opened up the matter of the proposed standards for Household Employment. Mr. Morris reviewed briefly the work of the committee responsible for these recommendations, trying to explain their point of view on the stand taken. A very lively discussion followed, participated in by most of those present. It was finally moved and carried that the Board go on record as endorsing in principle the recommendations of the Committee, although they felt that certain details should be reconsidered in conference.

It was then moved and seconded that a letter and also flowers be sent to Mrs. Savoy, expressing the League's appreciation.

There being no further action, there was a rising vote of thanks given to Dr. & Mrs. Parks for their hospitality, after which the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. Stern, Sec. pro. temp.

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